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Sir:

Submitted herewith are two original Supplemental Reissue Declarations, which have been signed by each of the inventors in the above-identified reissue application.

This Supplemental Declaration is supplied in response to the Examiner's March 9, 2001 Final Office Action, in which all of the pending claims (1-16, 27 and 30) were rejected as being based upon a defective oath/declaration under 35 U.S.C. § 251.

Since the enclosed Supplemental Reissue Declaration includes the language suggested as acceptable to overcome this rejection, applicants respectfully request that the

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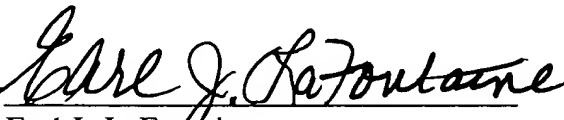
Supplemental Declaration be entered and the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 251 be withdrawn.

Entry of the Supplemental Declaration presents the rejected claims in a better form for consideration on the appeal, which is currently pending, since withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 251 puts claims 1-16 in condition for allowance, thereby reducing the claims on appeal to claims 27 and 30.

Admittance of this Amendment, and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 251 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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